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[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, May 16.

In accordance with a suggestion made yesterday by the Judge Advocate, the Commission repaired to Ford's theater this morning at 9:30, to examine the premises with a view to a more intelligent understanding of the testimony. A large crowd collected in front of the theater, but none were admitted but members of the Commission, the officers, reporters, several correspondents of the press, and one or three Senators. Everything remained undisturbed inside the building, just as it was the morning of the assassination, except the door to which Mr. Lincoln sat when he was shot has been taken away, and the flag which, like in front of the box, caught the Assassin's spurs, has been removed. We found, upon examination, that the distance from the door of the President's box to the outside door of the building, after he fell upon the floor, was just 40 paces. Two yards of the distance is taken up by the entrance to the box, which the President was seated to the spectators, leaving but 38 paces. The door through which Booth escaped from the theater is very narrow, and the passage about six feet wide, perfectly unobstructed, and in on a level with the stage; there are no steps or stairs to ascend in taking the flight to the outside door. There is a narrow hall-leading from the stage to the outside entrance, and a number of doors and rooms or stairs to ascend in taking the flight. There is a narrow hall-leading from the stage to the outside entrance, to which the building fronts. It was in the front door of the hall that Booth and Spangler passed when engaged in the suspicious whisperings and manoeuvres which attracted the attention of Lieut. Gen. H. W. Dye, as alluded to by him in his testimony yesterday.

THE BOOTH BOOK.

The examination of the building elicited no other feature worthy of special mention. About nine o'clock the Commission arrived in the Court-room, and resumed the hearing of the case. Some three hours were occupied in reading and reversing the notes of yesterday's proceedings, and at two o'clock witnesses were called to the stand, and the hearing progressed until near 5 o'clock, when the Commission adjourned, till to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Among the witnesses called to the stand this p. m. was Col. H. Ellis, provost Marshal of Alexandria. Col. Ellis is a lawyer, formerly of Detroit. His testimony was strong and comprehensive, and fixed the guilt of Dr. Mudd as an accomplice of Booth beyond a doubt. It disproved the defendant's statement, wherein it weighs more or less than any other that has occurred during the trials. Mudd's wife corroborated her husband, as Col. Ellis' identified the defendant's prevarication, and the invention of his first statement as to the meeting with Booth. The conclusion of the matter is to Col. Ellis, probably more than to any other person connected with the discovery of the assassination, we are indebted for bringing in the offenders so promptly and so effectually as they did. He it was who directed and caused the arrest of Payne, Mrs. Surratt, Ashcroth, Arnold, O'Laughlin, and Spangler. He it was who organized and fell over the track of the Assassin and Harold down in lower Maryland, and finally intercepted to the War Department the information which led to their capture.

The shadow deepened as to O'Laughlin, and this additional testimony to-day by Major Eaton and Hutton, corroborated that given by Col. Ellis at Secretary Stanton's on the night of the 15th of April, under circumstances of very great suspicion of O'Laughlin complicity. His facial demonstrations of mental suffering and misery on the occasion referred to were very generally marked. His presence in Booth's carried to day. He came into the room limp in his bearing very pale and dejected.

MRS. SURRATT.

The prisoners platform and railing have been extended across the entire width of the room and Mrs. Surratt sits upon one end of it two or three feet apart from the other accused. This miserable creature is looking stronger and apparently more composed; as she sits all the proceedings are read to her. Mudd and O'Laughlin. There is great sympathy to-day for Mrs. Surratt, and in addition to her confinement in the court room, her parents are greatly sympathizing. Among the visitors to-day were Bishop Wiley, a Methodist minister, and the Judge of the Supreme Court of this district.

NEW YORK, May 16.---The following is a summary of the conclusion of the testimony taken on Monday:

LAURA KEENE'S TESTIMONY.

James R. Ramsey, livery stable keeper, testified to an intimacy between The Assassin and Surratt. The testimony taken from the doors were open to spectators of the press. Indicates that a man was now in the rebel service, and which would be a severe blow to the cause. That is a man who was in front of the theater at the time of the assassination, and who contemplated the assassination of President Lincoln, for the purpose of causing confusion. Secret meetings were held, consisting of rebel offices, at which The Assassin was present, and the assassination was freely spoken of in the streets of Richmond. Other witnesses testified to the same effect. The Assassin was a frequent visitor at Surratt's house. Also Spangler and Atzerodt, and Payne, and Thompson, in Canada.

JOSEPH MCGOVERN.

Capt. Thos. McGovern described the assassination, and said though he knew Booth, he did not recognize him at the time. He heard the President's box and afterwards jumped on the stage.

RALPH RAYMOND.

Major Henry R. Rathbone, who was in the President's box, described the assassination, and which was published shortly after the occurrence. He did not see Booth, but could distinguished the assassin in the box from his voice.

MR. WITHERS.

Wm. Withers, Jr., musician at Ford's Theater met The Assassin under the stage, and was forced aside by his striking at him with a knife. Was recognized in the passage at the time. Identified one of the back doors of the theater. His testimony did not see Spangler that night. Spangler ought to have been there to change the scene. The scene for which Spangler was employed to change was not used. Sometimes there are so many people there that one cannot pass, but that night everything was changed. Does not recollect ever seeing Spangler wear a moustache.

JOSEPH SIMMONS.

Joseph Simmons, colored, employed at Ford's Theater, testified that The Assassin was the back part of the stage, between 9 and 10 o'clock, on the 14th inst. [Friday, May 14, 1865.—Ed. TRIBUNE.] He was in the box on the stage. When he went out in the afternoon, he invited Spangler out to take a drink. The Assassin was then quite full. Spangler, Spangler need to attend to The Assassin's horse when The Assassin was away. The horse was on the right hand side of the stage, opposite to the President's box. Spangler was the first person who entered the box after the assassination. Spangler had a moustache.

JOHN SELEMAN.

John Seleman, connected with Ford's Theater, testified he saw Booth come up to the back door of the theater on the night of the assassination, and Booth said: "Help me all, my cap, won't you?" Spangler replied: "Oh! yes." This was about an hour and a half before the President was shot. Booth seemed to be excited. Spangler came out of the back door just after the assassination on the stage. He had a handkerchief in his hand, and appeared to be wiping his eyes. Booth had been access to all parts of the theater. I was in front of the theater that night, on the pavement, but I did not see Spangler there. I never saw Spangler wear a moustache, but not a no stache. I saw Booth with seven or eight times, between four and five o'clock, in the afternoon of the assassination. I saw Ned, Spangler, Maddox, Booth, Peanut, and another gentleman by the name of Holden there. Maddox asked me to drink, which I did. After Booth asked Spangler to help him, he went right behind the scenes.

The Judge Advocate reminded that it would be necessary for the Court to understand the localities of the interior of the theater, to visit it, and therefore proposed to adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock on the following morning, at the theater. The Court then adjourned to 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

TESTIMONY OF YESTERDAY.

WASHINGTON, May 16.---The members of the Military Court this morning visited Ford's Theater to obtain information relative to the circumstances of the assassination, and the various points connected therewith. The party met at the court room at a quarter past eleven o'clock this morning, a large amount of the evidence taken before the Court yesterday was read over, and this was not finished at the recess this afternoon.

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NEGRO SUFFRAGE IN THE SOUTH.—The sentiment of the country has already settled strongly in favor of negro suffrage in some form as one of the elements of reconstruction in the South, that the only practical question seems to be to what extent and with what conditions. It may, shall it be granted. And here let us remark, that those who argue that the people of the Northern States have nothing to do with this question of universal suffrage at the South are only ringing in our teeth the old "slaveholder's argument your own business" which has wholly lost its former power. We have come to learn, and shall not soon forget, that the national power is barred by no State lines, from legislating for the national welfare, and that the nation alone is the judge what legislation its welfare requires. We are bound to admit no rebel southern State into the Union under the Constitution until we are satisfied that its Constitution is Republican. Now, in South Carolina more than half the citizens of the United States are negroes. About all of the loyal citizens of that locality are colored. It is not impossible that the proportion of negroes to whites may increase there until they are two-thirds or three-fourths of the entire population. It is conceivable indeed, though morally impossible, that the blacks might become substantially the entire population of a State in which they are already largely in the ascendency. Is it a republican form of government which now excludes from the suffrage more than half the arms-bearing population of a State, and which under conceivable circumstances might exclude them all? God forbid that we should be guilty of any such judicial blindness. Even the proslavery organs of Northern opinion, the New York *Herald* and *World* have advanced to the point of conceding the necessity that in readmitting the restored States, the black men shall be represented at the ballot-box. Yet as neither Tennessee, West Virginia, Maryland, Louisiana, Missouri nor Arkansas have in reforming their constitutions introduced negro suffrage, we may safely infer that to those on the ground there may exist objections which these at a distance have not exactly considered, and that therefore there will arise among the loyal Unionists and even Emancipationists in the reconstructing States, many opponents of negro suffrage. We believe the opposition to negro suffrage will only be made the stronger by the intemperate demand of a few impracticables for an indiscriminate suffrage without regard to intelligence or other qualification. If the advocates of negro suffrage are so unwise as to demand that it shall apply to all, the measure will be defeated altogether without doubt, and for the present. Certainly the most progressive will be satisfied with an advance so rapid as that from the lowest condition of slavery to the highest prerogative of freemen.

It would give the black man the additional right to boast that, though many whites had voted whose votes disgraced the ballot-box, yet every black man who votes has first vindicated his claim to the ballot by his patriotism, his intelligence, or his bravery.

DISTRIBUTION OF NATIONAL CURRENCY.—The National banking act limits the amount of circulating notes to three hundred millions of dollars. The amendment to the act, passed March 3, 1865, section 21, provides that $150,000,000, or one-half of the entire amount of circulating notes authorized to be issued, shall be apportioned by the Secretary of the Treasury, among the National banks of the several States, and in the territories, according to representative population, and the other half shall be apportioned among the States in proportion to their previous banking capital business and resources.

Calling the representative population of the whole Union thirty millions, there must be in the several States five dollars of circulation per capita. In round numbers the country would then be entitled to $8,700,000 of National notes for circulation, on the score of population, Ohio to $11,600,000, Indiana to 6,951,000, Michigan to $6,250,000, Wisconsin to the same amount, and Iowa to $3,700,000, Minnesota to $1,344,000, Kansas to $922,000.

The previous banking capital business and resources of the Western States should entitle them to 50 per cent of the above sums, making the following total amount of circulation for each Western State:

Ohio	$11,721,000
Indiana	10,268,000
Illinois	6,951,000
Michigan	6,250,000
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Missouri	6,397,000
Minnesota	1,344,000
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Total circulation	$53,804,000

Some of the States named ought to have a larger proportion of circulation than the above estimate accords to them. Ohio, for instance, needs and should have at least twenty-two millions. Illinois needs not less than seventeen millions or the full *pro rata* share she would get if all the circulation were divided according to population. From the reports published it looks as if some of the eastern States were getting the lion's share. For instance of ten Massachusetts with a population less than that of Indiana, be entitled to $20,000,000 of circulation while she has already got or nearly half as much as we have estimated for all the Western States with their nine millions of population!

THE CZAR'S ENCYCLICAL.—The pretensions of Republican principles is utterly refuted by the desperate and fanatical pretensions and assumptions of despots throughout the world. Autocracy clearly forces its speedy dethronement if the American idea of Government gains prevalence, and hence the most frantic assertion of monarchical rights, and swooping denial and condemnation of popular principles. In this devoted crusade in behalf of the sacred and divine right of Kings, religious principles and prejudices are, of course, involved, and the powerful agency of traditional superstition is called to the rescue of the holy ark of national unity. The Pope's last encyclical, denouncing all tendency to modern

AFTERNOON TELEGRAPH.

FROM CAIRO AND BELOW.

Proclamation of the Rebel Governor of Mississippi—Gen. Canby's Order Regarding Cotton Trade—Guerrilla Operations.

CAIRO, Tuesday, May 16.—The steamer Lady Gray, Williamson, Belzoover, clerk, formerly New Orleans dates of the 11th. They contain the following proclamation and order:

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF MISSISSIPPI.

To the People of Mississippi:

General Taylor informs me that all the Confederate armies east of the Mississippi river are surrendered, with all Government cotton. Quartermasters, Commissaries, and other officers of the Federal commanders will only send such troops as may be necessary to guard public property. All officers and soldiers on the expiration of public stores will be held to rigid accountability, and summary punishment inflicted. Arrangements will be made to issue supplies to the destitute. I have called the Legislature to convene on Thursday, the 18th inst. They will doubtless order a convention. The officers of the State government will, immediately after the election of electors to Jackson. County officers will be vigilant in the preservation of order and the protection of property. They have power to call out *posse comitatus*, and the militia will keep arms and other orders for ship purposes, as in times of peace. The State laws must be enforced as they now are until repealed.

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ORDER BY GENERAL CANBY.

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General field order, No. 30:

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The mission of Mr. Colfax is a solemn one. He goes to [illegible] the message of our dead President—one of the last utterances of his life—to the miners and pioneers of the West. He goes to tell them how near and dear their interests were to the heart of this great and good man; how they were in his thoughts even amid the hurrying scenes of war; and

PARIS LETTER.

The Effect of the Assassination in France.

[Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.]

PARIS, Friday, April 28.

It would be impossible for any words of mine to convey to you an adequate idea of the thrill of horror which ran through the entire population of this capital on the receipt of the dreadful tidings of Wednesday last. Indeed, we are still, even up to this moment, in a state of stupor, which almost impedes the utterance of the feelings which swell within us. The blow was so cruel and unexpected; the change from just exultation and congratulation assuaged and crushing. You will have read the terms in which I endeavored, only three days ago, to express the jubilation of our sentiments at the great and glorious news which had then just reached us of the surrender of Lee, and how much, I said, those feelings had been enhanced by the magnanimous attitude assumed by the President. There was, indeed, but one voice of praise to be heard all around, as here, expressive of the high sense entertained by the popular opinion of this country of the great and good man whose final fate and glorious end we equally mourning. Nothing could be more gratifying to witness than the way in which President Lincoln had disarmed the animosity even of his most determined opponents, by the simple dignity, earnestness and worth of his truly Christian and peculiarly national character; and there was no sort of consolation possible over his tragic end, over his most cruel, bloody and barbarous murder—that is to be found, perhaps, in the happy thought that he died breathing forth the pure accents of peace and good will to all men, to the very countrymen, to other nations, even to his enemies; that he died at the very height of his well-earned reputation, respect and regard in the eyes of the whole world, and that he will live forever as an acknowledged martyr to the cause of truth, honor, religion and magnanimity, in the memory of all future generations of mankind, so long as men shall continue to honor sterling worth and uncorrupted honesty. These are the sentiments I hear given utterance to all around me, and they are sweet and consolatory to the ear. May they bring such poor consolation as can be afforded to his afflicted friends and family at home. It is with that view chiefly that I repeat them here. "America," says the *Journal des Débats*, in noble language, this morning, "will treasure up the memory of Lincoln next to that of Washington. She will associate together these two names in her debt of gratitude; for if the one founded the Union, the other has saved it from perishing."

The morning news arrived here first on Wednesday, at a pretty early hour, by private telegrams addressed to Monroe & Co. It was considered to be a hoax perfected upon them with a view to Bourse transactions, and in order not to be made a party to such proceedings, the intelligence was for some time suppressed as false. Full corroboration, however, was unfortunately soon at hand. A dispatch from Hon. E. B. Washburne, Minister of the American Legation, confirmed the sad tidings. The outburst of grief, sorrow and indignation, from all quarters, is quite indescribable. Mr. Bigelow, who was present at the seal, having been invited to be officially present at the ceremony of the opening of the railway from Paris to Paris. It was the opening, however, of Mr. Bigelow's reception, and Americans and foreigners alike hastened hither to exchange their feelings of mutual condolence, sympathy and indignation. The pe or immediately dispatched one of his aides-de-camp to the Legation, to request the transmission to Vice President Johnson of his soul messages of profound and affectionate sorrow.

We are all in a state of such confusion and horror at the deed, that as [illegible] seems scarcely possible. I may say, however, that it has been determined to hold in the first place, a religious ceremony of humiliation and resignation before God, for this great national crime and calamity. It will be held to-morrow, at noon, at the Rev. Mr. Lawson's Episcopal Church. The Chaplain of the U. S. Embassy has just informed me that he has shall send round a circular to all the British clergy of the city and neighborhood, inviting their attendance at the ceremonies on that day. Indignation in England seems loud and universal. May the blood of the man by Lincoln seal a fresh bond of amity and forbearance between the two nations. Men's hearts here seem opened and softened towards each other by affliction. I never beheld more universal mourning and sympathy.

FROM VICKSBURG.

Gen. Canby and Colored Troops—A very Strange Agreement—Rebels that Cannot be Induced to Surrender on the Terms.

VICKSBURG, Miss., May 10.

Editors Chicago Tribune:

It has doubtless been expected that some of the important points in Mississippi would be occupied by the troops of Maj. Gen. Dana's department. The people hear this reason why this has not been done.

Gen. Dana gave orders several days ago for the occupation of Jackson, Gallatin and Brookhaven, and intended immediately afterward to send small garrisons to Yazoo city and Grenada. But just as the troops designated were ready to march, word came from Gen. Canby that he has agreed with Taylor not to send colored troops into the interior. As Gen. Dana has only one small battalion of white infantry in his command, the proposed occupation has to be abandoned.

Meanwhile it is reported that Forrest refuses to accept the terms of surrender made by his commanding General, but on the contrary is organizing a considerable force in the interior of Mississippi.

The troops we have (colored) along the river, could maintain themselves just as well on the Pascagoula and New Orleans railroad, and save that part of the State from the contributions and conscriptions levied by Forrest, if chivalry and Gen. Canby will not be so particular about color. As it is, business has to be carried on under the white flag, instead of under the stars and stripes.

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Mission of Mr. Colfax.

It has already been announced that Hon. Schuyler Colfax proposes to make a trip to the Pacific Coast by the Overland Mail Route, the Chicago *Post* [illegible] editor (Samuel Bowles, Esq.,) is to be of the party, gives us some interesting details of this railroad enterprise. Hon. Alex. Holliday, owner of the stage lines, has placed his private coach at the disposal of Mr. Colfax; while the Secretary of War has ordered the military to furnish escorts on the route to tender him every assistance and favor. He will be guarded through all the dangerous parts of the route, if dangerous any of them now remain, which is doubtful. He will stop for several days each, at such leading points as Denver, Salt Lake City and Austin, the centre of the silver mines of Nevada, and after spending a month or more in California, he will probably make a tour through Oregon, and return home by Steamship. Gen. Grant, who is now in command of the department, has placed at his disposal a steamer for the purpose of the free State.

The proceedings and conduct thus far, in the matter of the conspiracy at *Harper's Ferry*, meet with general approval, and elicits comment, and the universal opinion is, that the most summary punishment will have characterized your course cannot be too highly applauded, and to-day you stand higher than ever before in the public estimation. Now, my friend, there you do [illegible] enough to send Brown to State Prison for life instead of hanging him, you rather [illegible] Brown, and [illegible] whether such a course would [illegible] you. [illegible] sense of duty, for I know that that is the [illegible] of the New York Democracy. Garfield, [illegible] Lieut. Gov. Bross, of the Chicago Tribune, and will be absent some four months.

The mission of Mr. Colfax is a solemn one. He goes to [illegible] the message of our dead President—one of the last utterances of his life—to the miners and pioneers of the West. He goes to tell them how near and dear their interests were to the heart of this great and good man; how they were in his thoughts even amid the hurrying scenes of war; and

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, May 16, 1865.

The weather was oppressively warm to-day, and business was generally dull. Gold opened with an advance in Gold yesterday evening and early this morning, the general markets opened firm and buoyant, but before the close of Chicago hours quotations of Gold showed a reaction, and the advance gained was almost entirely lost. Flour was dull and unchanged. Wheat advanced 2@3c, but fell back to 2@3c before the close. Corn was 1@2c per bushel lower. Oats were quiet and unchanged. Rye and Barley were dull and neglected. Highwines were dull and drooping. Provisions were dull and stagnant.

The money market was quiet, but tolerably close. The bankers were accommodating only their best customers, at the usual rate of 10 @ 12 per annum, and there is a strong disposition to check more speculation. On the street rates are firm at 1@2 @ cent @ month.

Eastern Exchange commands scarce and firm, with buyers at par and sellers at ¼ premium. There is rather more activity than formerly, but the demand is still greater than the supply, and nearly all the leading banks have to express currency daily to New York to meet their drafts.

Gold opened in New York to-day at 134½, but speedily fell to 133¾, and closed at 133¾. The following are the quotations telegraphed to James Boyd, gold-broker:

10:30 a. m.	134¼	12:31 p. m.	133¾
11:00 a. m.	134¼	2:45 p. m.	133¾
11:15 a. m.	134¼	3:00 p. m.	133¾
11:30 a. m.	134¼	3:30 p. m.	133¾

Here the market for Gold was very dull, opening at 135, but soon falling back to 133@133¾. There was considerable activity on the Stock Exchange, but sales were nearly all for future delivery—operators evidently bent upon working a "corner" upon themselves. Silver was dull and nominal at 115@120.

Government Bonds were dull and easier. We quote:

	Buying.	Selling.
Five-Twenties	104½	104½
Ten-Forties	94½	95½
Seven-Thirties	par	par and 1/8

There was nothing doing in County Scrip, and the market was nominal at 94.

—At the rate of investments in the third series of 7-30s yesterday and to-day, it will be absorbed in about sixty days, which will be a great relief to us that Government will probably offer to the people—the holders of 5-20s, 1881s, and 10-40s, all converting them into 7-30s.

We quote:

	Buying.	Selling.
U. S. 5-20s	103½	104
U. S. 10-40s	99 @ 99½	99½ @ 99

PARSON, WILLARD & KEAN,

Bankers and Government Loan Agents, 47 Clark street.

CHICAGO STOCK EXCHANGE.

TUESDAY EVENING, May 16, 1865.

SALES AT THE FIRST BOARD.

5,000 Gold	133¾	5,000	"	10	134
5,000	"	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
5,000	"	10	134	1,000	"	10	134¼
2,000	"	5	133¾	5,000	"	5	134¼
5,000	"	5	133¾	5,000	"	60	134¼
5,000	"	5	133¾	5,000	"	15	134¼
5,000	"	10	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
5,000	"	10	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
5,000	"	10	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
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5,000	"	b 10	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
5,000	"	10	133¾	5,000	"	10	134¼
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Special Notices.

Dr. Sturdy Relief

Scrofula.

Victor Bigelow

Rich! Rich!

Rich! Rich!

Cogia's Honey Soap.

The Young Man's Friend.

Madame Lafontaine

Dr. James,

Doctor Thomson

City Notices.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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PROPOSALS FOR SEWER-

Proposals.

Professional.

DR. JAMES.

FORMERLY OF

James' Hospital,

129 Custom House St., New Orleans, La.,

(Established in 1850.)

Has Arrived in Chicago, and Permanently located an Office

AT

86 Randolph Street,

CHICAGO, ILL.

Dr. James cures Syphilis in its various forms and at all ages, without mercurial or any poisons, leaving the blood pure, eradicating that horrible and much to be dreaded poison permanently from the system.

Spermatorrhœa and Impotency, or that involuntary exhaustion, treated and radically cured with an infallible method, saving much time and expense.

All diseases of the most horrible stamp, where the blood has become poisoned, producing blotches on the face, small watery blisters, pimples, ulcers of the throat, nose, limbs and body, scrofula, together with an endless number of sufferings.

Dr. James testimonials are the most authentic, and from as high an society, medical and otherwise, in the United States.

The following are the testimonials of some of the many well known and eminent Doctors and Editors of the United States, of which Dr. James is the recipient:

The letter below professes to be from Dr. Jordan, of Cincinnati, to Dr. Wilson, of Pittsburgh, Penn., in answer to a letter of inquiry concerning Dr. James formerly of New Orleans and now of Chicago.

Dr. J. R. Jordan was physician to the Cincinnati Cholera Hospital during the summer of 1849, and Professor of the Theory and Practice of Medicine, and of Materia Medica in the American Medical Institute of Louisville, Ky., in 1850-51 and '52. Dr. Jordan is now practicing in Cincinnati. Here is the letter referred to. Read it:

"CINCINNATI, July 7, 1862.

"DR. WILSON—Dear Sir:—In answer to your inquiries, I would say that I have known Dr. James, formerly of James' Lock Hospital, New Orleans, and now of Chicago, Ill., off and on, for the last twelve years, and think I may safely say that, in his line of practice, I do not know his superior, if his equal. I have also been present in New Orleans, and three examiners in his city, and in both places I had occasion frequently to recommend patients to wait upon treatment in that line to him, and in every case, so far as I could learn, he was successful, and gave the most perfect satisfaction. He has from the start made the study of what are called special diseases a specialty, and has I believe, by no most eminently successful. I know of no one to whom I would sooner recommend a patient or a friend needing treatment at that kind, or for any of the kindred complaints or chronic diseases which he has made his study, than to him. You, can, I think, safely recommend the afflicted and unfortunate to him, in case you do not wish to treat them yourself.

"Yours truly, J. R. JORDAN, M. D.

And the following extract of a letter from Dr. Rodrick Mangine, who has been practicing medicine in New Orleans for twenty years, and well known to the profession of that city. The letter was written to a gentleman of Mobile, Ala., in answer to a letter of inquiry as to Dr. James' abilities.

"To many persons having applied to me, suffering with diseases such as Dr. James makes his special province, I have recommended that gentleman, Knowing his great qualifications, and every case so far as I could learn, he has not disappointed either myself or the patient. One case of a young man suffering with syphilis in its tertiary form, who had been under some of the most eminent physicians in the city, myself with the one who had also been under the treatment of Dr. James, and who, I believe, is still under it, without deriving but little, if any, benefit, placed himself under the treatment of Dr. James, whom, from every consurance, I believe to be positive by and permanently cured. Dr. James method of treating syphilis in a new, and a far more successful manner than the old method, and the most careful and extended practice he made himself the Heroines of the hydra, and thousands of both sexes, in all parts of the world, now know him or remember him with the sincerest gratitude, for Dr. James' celebrity is not confined to New Orleans or Louisiana, or the United States, but throughout the continent. Any general thing he is infallible, and those who may come within the range of his treatment may confidently upon him not only with the hope, but with the assurance of being restored to health and happiness."

The following editorial is from the New Orleans *Delta* of Dec. 21st, 1861:

"DR. JAMES—CATARRH.—There is no physician in our rather extended acquaintance in the profession, who is more capable, and surely none has gained so enviable a reputation in the treatment of special diseases as Dr. James, 82 Custom House street. The doctor has made so many wonderful and speedy cures that it is not to be wondered at that his office is so often filled with unfortunates, who come to him as a *dernier ressort*, having full faith in his skill and experience. It is astonishing that so many will suffer themselves to be trifled with by physicians who have never made their special diseases a study, and who prescribe the same remedy for all cases. Dr. James has spent years in perfecting himself in this peculiar line, and is as near perfection as can be."

(Extract from the New Orleans Bee of April 9 1851.)

"Dr. James, of Custom House street has acquaintance in this city, or the South, in the treatment of private diseases."

(From the Mobile (Ala.) Advertiser of May 5, 1861.)

DR. JAMES.—We learn from the New Orleans Crescent that Dr. James (not the Canchig Indian man, whose "medicine of life" have recently run out, but a veritable and entitled practitioner) who has been conducting one of the largest hospitals in the United States since 1850, at 82 Custom House street, New Orleans, La., leaves during the present month for the North. What he is leaving for we cannot say—only conjecture—probably on account of our present troubles with the South. Be that as it may, we can say, and with confidence, that he has the greatest reputation in this country in a specialty of any physician that ever appeared in it, we have had occasion to know that Dr. James is a most skilful physician, and have heard many speaking his skill and success of so high a character that we can say also, that Dr. James' confidence has been a fixed one, so good evidence that he is capable of accomplishing what he promises in the treatment of the specialty in the disease to which he confines his practice.

"We find that one of the most successful physicians are

Medicinal.

to numbers and circumstances otherwise; to extraordinary effects and diseases of the urinary organs of the eye and ear, as well as death to the disease of the teeth; and finally to which are united those diseases or diseases of the genital or sexual organs. All this is very proper. In one word, both in a literal one, can be said to be the general and successful practice in the treatment of all the above; and we would always refer a recommend a friend who was afflicted with either of the complaint to a special practice physician, who combines himself wholly or mainly to the treatment of such diseases just as we would, for instance, and as we believe others do, recommended a person suffering from any of the control diseases, to be drawn. We should think it more likely to understand and to be able to treat successfully the disease than a physician who attended to general practice, and all kinds of diseases. And this is but reasonable and natural.

This editorial is from the Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Observer of April 7, 1852:

"DR. JAMES.—We call attention to the advertisement of Dr. D. B. James, which will be found in another part of our paper to-day; and we do so the more readily, because we know Dr. James, and have known him many or less, for the last twenty years. It is rather a delicate subject—the making of puffs—to write short or speak of celebrity in a daily paper; and yet we know no reason why it should be more so than about any other disease to which the human family are subject—it properly considered.

"But as to Dr. James we can speak positively. We have known him, as we have said, for many years, and being a physician ourself, we naturally inquire into and know something about his manner of treatment, and we believe we are safe when we say he regarded as standing among the foremost, if not at the head of those devoted to the cure of this class of diseases as to speedy and successful cure of the same. We knew him two years ago in New Orleans, when he was so regarded there, and indeed all through the Southern country. His place was on Custom House street, for the cure of secret diseases, was shown as well known as Dr. Stone's Hospital for the cure of general diseases, and he seemed to be called as popular and to give universal satisfaction. We have also known him in Cincinnati (where he sometimes spent the summer,) and we have always considered him to be most successful and to give complete satisfaction. We regard him, in addition to all this, to be a man of unblemished character, and sound moral integrity. He had to leave New Orleans, we believe, on account of his Union sentiments and loyalty to the General Government, which is certainly one thing in his favor.

"To persons, therefore, who have been so unfortunate as to contract any of these diseases, or have had such diseases or disability entailed upon them, we say (and we say it with confidence) go to Dr. James. It is some distance for us (office is in Chicago) but it is better, perhaps, to go all that distance, and be treated skillfully, and cured in a short time, and with reasons to that leave no evil effects behind, than to treat your case to unskilful hands, and suffer, perhaps, a life time."

The following editorial is from the Oshkosh (Wis.) Union, Dec. 14, 1861:

DR. JAMES.—The advertisement of Dr. James, of Chicago, will be found in another column, explaining the diseases which he claims to successfully treat. We have never made a practice of puffing or commending physicians of "specialty" notoriety, for the invariably they are poorly supported that it should be confirmed at this meeting.

Ald. McGrory moved that the vote taken at the last meeting to reconsider the vote concurring in the report roll be reconsidered. Carried.

Report of Committee confirmed by the passage of the usual order of confirmation without debate.

Remonstrance of sundry property owners against the construction of a sidewalk on Block 1, Newberry's addition. Referred to Committee on Streets and Alleys, N. D.

A communication was received from the City Clerk, covering the following order, which was passed:

Ordered, That the assessors for the several divisions of the city of Chicago be and they are hereby instructed to complete a part or parts of their assessment rolls, and report the same to the City Clerk as completed, so that he may proceed to perform the duties required of him in relation to five limits.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

The City Comptroller presented his estimates of expenses for the ensuing year.

Referred to Committee on Finance and ordered to be published.

CITY COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
CHICAGO, May 12, 1865. }

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Chicago, in Common Council assembled:

In compliance with the requirements of the city charter, I submit herewith my report of the estimates necessary, as near as may be, to defray the expenses of the city during the current fiscal year, commencing April 1st, 1865, and ending April 1st, 1866; also a statement showing the aggregate indebtedness of the city, the amount of the liabilities outstanding upon which interest is to be paid, and of bonds and city debts payable during the year.

Influenced by the great depreciation in the currency, the general increase of the necessaries of life, and the scarcity of labor which prevailed last year, the last Common Council authorized a large increase in the expenditures beyond that amount recommended in my last annual estimates. This increase was made only for one year, and better counsels. The success of the Government in suppressing the rebellion, and restoring the Union has raised the currency from forty cents on the dollar nearly to par. The cost of the necessaries of life has decreased. The dwindling of our large armies will soon restore to the pursuits of industry several hundred thousand soldiers, large numbers of whom are destined to fill well paying and more difficult employments. Although the great abundance of money has stimulated enterprise, and the enormous and increasing production of the precious metals will prevent a return to the low prices of some years, we will probably be found that the necessary expenditures of the city will be less for the same amount of service than they were last year. It should also be borne in mind that the same taxes will now prove more unproductive than under the old charter.

Under these circumstances, I do not feel justified in recommending any increase in the aggregate of taxation, and have therefore assumed the same basis of the three estimates. Of Common Council, and justify. He has increase the levy up to the limit fixed by the charter, if they should deem it necessary. In my opinion, the probable income will fall short of a sum sufficient to meet other calculations and to cover the expenditures proposed by the Board of Public Works and the Board of Police Commissioners. I suggest before these boards increase, with the consent of the Board of Education and Board of Guardians of Reform School, as a part of this report, and leave the particular conditions to be determined by your honorable body.

Estimate of Expenses for the Fiscal Year, from April 1st, 1865, to April 1st, 1866.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

For sundry objects specified in the estimate of the Board appended hereto, including balances of last year's Appropriation Fund, and Loan Fund.....$411,638.11

Loss in collections, as estimated by the Common Council, to be within probable bounds.....19,638.11 $192,000.00

To complete pier extension, in addition to $20,500 appended to April 1st, 1865.....40,500.00

For three engine houses, Lake street Market, well attended near Ashland avenue, and for repairs to last year's appropriations.....6,000.00

To purchase and furnish lots, Total, Board of Public Works.....10,000.00 $254,500.00

FOR BRIDEWELL.

Rent, dieting, salary &c.....18,000.00

CONTINGENT FUND.

For contingencies not subject to order of Mayor and Comptroller.....18,000.00

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

Seven-Eighths of receipts from rates on Fire Insurance premiums.....

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Salaries of Assessors, election expenses.....5,000.00

LEGAL EXPENSES.

Costs and incidental expenses.....5,000.00

NORTH MARKET.

Gas, fuel, water and repairs.....$90.00

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Council proceedings, advertising, blanks, &c.....18,500.00

POLICE COURT.

Salary of Police Justice and Clerks and incidentals.....4,000.00

PUBLIC SQUARES AND COURT HOUSE.

City's proportion of Engineers and Janitors' salaries, fuel, gas and repairs.....2,500.00

RECORDER'S COURT.

Salary of Recorder, fees and miscellaneous expenses.....20,000.00

SALARIES.

Not chargeable to departments: Mayor, Comptroller, Clerks, Treasurer, Collector, Collector's Clerks, City Clerk and Assistant, Corporation Counsel, City Attorney, City Physician and Harbor Master.....30,000.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Scavengers, do.....7,500.00

INTEREST.

To pay interest on funded debt, general, and special tax bill tax to be levied.....186,000.00

Unexpended balance April 1st, 1865.....83,021.11 $71,021.11

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

For Police expenses proper, including balance April 1, 1865.....$198,217.87

Loan of $200,000 in bonds of $1,000 each, to be held and used as provided in charter amendments of 1863 for separate Fire Police, repairs of engines, &c; to be a loan drawing interest at 7 per cent, payable half-yearly, from general fund.....198,000.00

Total Police Department, besides proceeds of bonds.....$396,217.87

BEFORE SCHOOL.

Proceeds of a tax of 2-4 mills, heretofore appropriated.....$4,000.00

Unexpended balance April 1st, 1865.....$1,630.82 $5,630.82

SCHOOLS.

Proceeds of a tax of three mills, hereafter to be levied.....$44,000.00

For evening schools from general fund, proceeds of $1,000 bonds.....1,000.00 $45,000.00

REFUNDING.

Proceeds of sales of bonds and coupons.....

Proceeds of sales of bonds of Board of Education.....

To be refunded.....

Proceeds of tax to be levied.....

Balance to be refunded.....

Proceeds of sales of bonds.....

To be refunded.....

Balance to be refunded.....

Proceeds of tax to be levied.....

To be refunded

Chicago Tribune.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1865.

THE CITY.

FOURTH OF JULY.—A meeting of gentlemen interested in securing a suitable demonstration of one to the day, on the forthcoming Fourth of July, will be held in Tremont Parlor, No. 3, on Sorrow (Thursday) evening, to which all gentlemen are willing to aid in the celebration are invited. The meeting has already been canvassed by many of our leading citizens, all of whom agree that there should be a demonstration this year for one. There are many who have previously been held in Chicago, if not more so. We shall this year, however, not only the birth of a great nation, but its regeneration. Remember the famous address of John Quincy Adams and honor especially the year the Fourth of July.

NUISANCES.—The Board of Police at their session yesterday directed Assistant Health Officer Rinaker to visit Bridgeport and break up and abate all the nuisances there.

SUPREME COURT MUDDLE.—Last evening some gentleman passed us a notice, wrapped in a cloth and contained in a paper box, dusting on the river at 81 oc brings. An inquest will be held this morning.

PRESIDENTIAL FUNERAL EXPENSES.—All the bills for the Presidential funeral expenses have been audited and placed in the hands of the City Comptroller, where parties can now call for their money.

TO THE FAIR.—The German Masons' and Bricklayers' Society of this city has generously donated the sum of fifty dollars from the treasury to the Sanitary Fair. The Society is always liberal, giving the first in every good word and work.

DUPREE AND GREEN'S COMPANY.—The famous "nigger" troupe—largest—but. Lead of, "negro" minstrels who have visited our city for many a long day, will open carnival at Bryan Hall last night to a crowded gathering of amused and delighted auditors. Their singing, dancing and acting is really first-class. The Sterling troupe are only continue with us two evenings more, so that on to-morrow (Thursday) we will be given (with pathos)—"The lay of the last (negro) minstrel."

PERSONAL.—Hon. Schuyler Colfax will arrive in Chicago to-day at noon. The party for California, consisting of Mr. Colfax, General Garfield, A. D. Richardson, New York *Tribune*, Hon. Sam. Hooper, and Lieut.-Gov. Brown, will leave this evening.

Hon. Sam F. Rhett, Secretary of State of Colorado, is at the Sherman House. He reached here yesterday in twelve days from Denver. He reports all quiet along the route and the tide of emigration immense.

SANITARY FAIR.—There will be a meeting of the Friends of Progress, at the Sanitary Rooms, No. 66 Madison street, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, May 17th. All are invited to be present.

The Friends of Progress will hold their weekly lectures at Mather's Dividend Academy, corner of Clark and Monroe streets, this Wednesday evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

VAGRANCY.—John Seymour, alias Gilmore alias, a man of old and confirmed vagrant, was brought before Justice Miller on Monday morning. The facts in the case showed him to be lost to all sense of self-respect, and entirely destitute of any vestige of honorable habits. He was fined the sum of $100 and costs, which being interpreted meaneth that he goes to the Bridewell for a period of 306 days.

DR. FOCKE IN CHICAGO.—The Pennsylvania Oil Company have in store at No. 169 South Water street, an immense stock of carbon, lard, linseed and lubricating oils. Also, a large stock of paints and chemicals. Also, a large stock of Dodridge's Patent XX flint glass lamp chimneys ever held in the West, all of which they are positive is made of better stock at prices which must attract close buyers. They will pay the highest market price for carbon oil barrels, delivered at their store.

ART IN INDIA INK.—The demand for photographs copied from old pictures and touched up in India ink is rapidly increasing. Mr. Paul Brown, now connected with Pattison's Gallery, No. 75 Randolph street, is not excelled as an artist in India ink in the Northwest. Hundreds of pictures from his pencil, when forestry with a Rogues' Gallery in the houses of hundreds of our citizens. Mr. Pattison will make copies from a locket for 75 cents, and from a miniature, a child, photograph or the city. The new style, miniature on porcelain, of which the finest specimens can be seen at this gallery, is universally admired and largely demanded.

THE CONSERVATORY.—The Observatory building is very nearly ready for the monster telescope. The revolving dome—thirty feet in diameter—is almost finished. The telescope will be in position shortly, and then Chicago will have the finest instrument in the known world. The other apparatus—a five-clock astronomy clock—will next to be added, but none who know the liberality which has characterized our Chicago men in the past, can doubt that these will be soon supplied. We have the prime essentials of the best observatory in the world; the minor appendages it cannot be long wanting.

THE REBELLION IN TROUBLE.—A very intelligent young man, a prisoner of war, and formerly an officer in Tennessee, was before the Police Court on Monday, charged with having violated the oath of allegiance. He was arrested while he had just been released, and, previous to starting for home, was enjoying the liberties of a new life. To use his own language, he was determined to exercise it, rather than a surplus quantity of commissariat. The Court, he having the statement, the prisoner, and the law before him, departed, the latter, the judge, for his leniency, he departed, highly grateful with his first drink in a law court.

GEN. DOUGLAS.—Quietly, but surely, the instinct of right and patriotic principles is going among the prisoners of war confined in our city jails. Out of the whole six thousand rebels in durance of vigor, there are now but a few who are not given up every rebel hope and are ready to abandon treason, and "come out from among them." Nearly one thousand have already taken the oath of allegiance to the Government, and have been furnished transportation to their homes. One detachment of fifty entered left the city on Saturday, after taking the oath, and a larger one numbering two hundred left yesterday. In the course of a day or two arrangements will be perfected to release the prisoners at the rate of a hundred or more per week. Before long Chicago will be without the last vestige of rebellion, retaining in her midst only the dead.

MINIATURE REBELLION.—There are three rebellion keepers at and about the corner of State street and Harmon Court, who are very jealous of each other. One place is the resort of railroad boys, another is the resort of military heroes, and the third is a general resort for city sports of every kind. Each of these determined to be the elected one. A collision occurred on Saturday last, the result of which was a complete row of crest and no arrests. The fight immediately commenced, and for over an hour the noise was still in all its primitive grandeur. The chief-rebels (side of the city of Chicago) one vast engagement, and a correspondent does not dream of going to the land of the Nazarene to see what this gigantic rebellion has an existence.

JEFF DAVIS IN PETTICOATS.—The rebel president lost his manhood—if ever he possessed any—long before he attempted to conceal it by donning female attire. The effort was *heedless*, for the simple reason that Jeff was not. The Southern lady-leaders have done very many foolish things, but they never did a more foolish one than when they entrusted their perfected wardrobe of the "belle sex" to Jeff. Had they not been under restraint they would have made standing on the edge of the last ditch. It has been suggested that the South should not be taken in the shape of this folly, as it is calculated to heavily bonded, probably did it on the "installment plan." Without commission to fit the cabinet, we shall hereafter be able to discover points by a slight variation of the formula for turning out living statesmen as their fond ex-rebels know them.

THE CHICKERING PIANO.—A beautiful upright Chickering Piano, from Reed's Temple of Music, in the marble block on the corner of Randolph and Dearborn streets, was in use at the Opera last evening. This only adds to the abundant proof that in the kindly circles of music there reigns perfect unanimity and appreciation. The Chickering's recent letter, dated New York, April 1st, says of the Chickering piano:

"We have received your favor of the 31st, and are pleased to learn that the first thing is not to be done to encourage personality. They would simply say that we have previously been sold in Chicago. It costs us to sell. We shall this year, however, as we have done in the past, let the merits of our instrument speak for itself. All who visit our factory will be convinced that we have no superiors in the United States, and upon examination in Europe."

BOYS WHO, (we use only to Gottschalk,) "I have prayed" [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]